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SUBJECT: OSORIO-TAFALL AND PREM CHAND OFF TO NEW YORK

1. INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, SCHEDULED RESUME OCT 2, POSTPONED INDEFINITELY AS RESULT SUDDEN, AND UNEXPECTED, RECALL UNSYG SPECIAL REP OSORIO-TAFALL TO NEW YORK. SUMMONS APPARENTLY CAME AFTER WALDHEIM MEETING WITH TURKISH FORMIN BAYULKEN. OSORIO SPECULATED BEFORE DEPARTURE THAT SYG HAS RECEIVED CONFLICTING ACCOUNTS CONCERNING STATE OF NEGOTIATIONS, AND SEEKS CLARIFICATION FROM OSORIO.

2. UNFICYP COMMANDER PREM CHAND ALSO RETURNING NEW YORK, EXPECTS DEPART SATURDAY. HE SAYS HIS VISIT CONCERNS UNFICYP REDUCTION AND APPARENTLY UNRELATED TO SUDDEN RECALL OF OSORIO. HE ANTICIPATES TROOP CONTRIBUTORS MEETING NEXT WEEK, BUT DOES NOT HAVE ANY CONFIRMATION. HE EXPECTS TO BE

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AWAY A WEEK OR TWO, DOES NOT KNOW OSORIOS PLANS.

3. UNFICYP, FOREIGN MINISTRY AND TURKISH EMBASSY ALL SAY INITIATIVE FOR OSORIO RECALL CAME FROM NEW YORK, NOT FROM SOME UNEXPECTED NEW LOCAL DEVELOPMENT. NOBODY, HOWEVER, IS VERY CLEAR AS TO WHAT MOTIVATED WALDHEIMS SUDDEN ORDER.

4. WE ASSUME USUN WILL SHORTLY RECEIVE INVITATION TO CONTRIBUTORS MEETING. EMBASSYS VIEW CONCERNING NEED FOR USG TO MAINTAIN PRESSURE FOR PHASED CHANGE TO OBSERVER/MEDIATOR FORCE REMAINS UNCHANGED IN FACE OF POOR PROSPECTS FOR BREAKTHROUGHS IN INTERCOMMUNAL NEGOTIATIONS IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE. LINE MAY EVOLVE IN UNSYG THAT PRESENT SITUATION TOO TENSE FOR CUTS BEYOND LIMITED REDUCTIONS ALREADY DESCRIBED. ON CONTRARY, WE BELIEVE PRESENT STALEMATE REINFORCES THE NEED FOR UNFICYP TO ADJUST TO LONG HAUL AT LEVEL WHICH UN CAN AFFORD, AND ON SCALE WHICH WILL ENCOURAGE RATHER THAN DEFERRING EVOLUTION OF DE FACTO PEACEKEEPING RELATIONS DIRECTLY BETWEEN GREEKS AND TURKS.
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